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1. The following information

from 10 and 28 April 1953:

a. Coal stocks and consumption of coal for operational use (in metric tons):

Date in	Hard Coal	Raw Brown	Brown Coal	Coke	Coal Dust
April		Coal	Briquettes		

Total	10	75,176	22,503	85,351	1,421	449
Stocks	28	84,399	22,065	65,607	1,415	256
Daily	10	1,834	1,204	17,796	30	205
Consump-		(1,737)	(47)	(16,798)	(-)	(205)
tion	28	1,451	1,007	17,914	30	178
		(1,396)	(21)	(16,809)	(-)	(178)

Note. The figures in parentheses refer to the coal consumed by locomotives.

b. Backlog of loaded cars:

Date in Poland and April	Baltic Sea USSR Ports	Interzonal Traffic	Ferry Traffic to Sweden	Total
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10	121	24	43	37	225
28	139	26	-	53	218

c. Park of damaged cars:

10 Apr 11	20,574 cars
28 "	16,964 "

d. Park of operational cars:

10 April	92,732 cars
23 "	94,987 "

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2. The following daily coal consumption quotas for locomotives were fixed on 4 May 1953:

<u>Railroad District</u>	<u>Amount of Coal (in tons)</u>
Berlin	2,530
Greifswald	910
Schwerin	1,100
Magdeburg	2,200
Halle	3,580
Erfurt	2,930
Dresden	3,100
Cottbus	1,350

25X1A Total 17,700 tons ²

25X1A Comment. As compared with the last reported status of 8 April, total coal stocks decreased by 15,943 tons to a total of 173,742 tons. However, the figures mentioned indicate that only stocks of brown coal briquettes decreased, while hard coal stocks increased by 9,000 tons. According to the daily coal consumption quota of 17,700 tons fixed on 4 May, coal stocks available were adequate for 9.8 days' requirements. The backlog of loaded cars was normal. The park of damaged cars shows a declining tendency, and the park of operational cars is increasing.

25X1 Comment. The daily coal consumption quota was reduced from 19,300 tons in April to 17,700 tons in May, probably due to seasonal conditions.

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